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UNITED STATES BANKRUPTCY COURT WESTERN DISTRICT OF NEW YORK

In re : Chapter 11

ROCHESTER DRUG : Case No. 20-20230 (PRW)

CO-OPERATIVE, INC. 1 :

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Debtor.

NOTICE OF OBJECTION ON LIQUIDATING TRUSTEE'S SECOND OMNIBUS OBJECTION TO AMENDED CLAIMS FILED AGAINST ROCHESTER DRUG CO-OPERATIVE, INC.

PLEASE TAKE NOTICE that on November 1, 2021, Advisory Trust Group, LLC, the trustee (the "Liquidating Trustee") of the RDC Liquidating Trust filed its Second Omnibus Objection to Amended Claims Filed Against Rochester Drug Co-Operative, Inc. (the "Objection"). Pursuant to the Objection, the Liquidating Trustee seeks an order disallowing and expunging each of the objectionable claims (the "Objectionable Claims") listed on Exhibit A to this Notice on the grounds that each such Objectionable Claim has been amended and superseded by another proof of claim filed by or on behalf of the same claimant.

¹ On February 26, 2021, the Bankruptcy Court entered an order (the "<u>Confirmation Order</u>") confirming the *Second Amended Chapter 11 Plan of Liquidation* (the "<u>Plan</u>") of Rochester Drug Co-operative, Inc. ("<u>RDC</u>" or the "<u>Debtor</u>"), which (along with that certain Liquidating Trust Agreement and Declaration of Trust) established the RDC Liquidating Trust and empowered it to collect and administer RDC's assets and resolve claims against RDC.

PLEASE TAKE FURTHER NOTICE that a hearing on the Objection and any responses thereto will be held before the Honorable Paul R. Warren, United States Bankruptcy Judge, at the United States Courthouse for the Western District of New York, 100 State Street, Rochester, New York on December 9, 2021 at 11:00 a.m. (prevailing Eastern Time) (the "Hearing"), or as soon thereafter as counsel may be heard.

PLEASE TAKE FURTHER NOTICE that all affidavits and memoranda in opposition to the relief requested, if any, shall be in writing and shall be filed with the Clerk's Office, United States Bankruptcy Court for the Western District of New York (Rochester Division), and served upon the undersigned counsel so as to be received no later than 72 hours prior to the Hearing to consider the Objection.

PLEASE TAKE FURTHER NOTICE also that:

UNDER THE ADMINISTRATIVE ORDER DATED DECEMBER 21, 2020, REVISING THE NEGATIVE NOTICE PROCEDURES FOR MOTIONS BEFORE JUDGE WARREN: IF A PARTY REPRESENTED BY COUNSEL INTENDS TO OPPOSE THIS MOTION, WRITTEN OPPOSITION TO THE MOTION MUST BE SERVED AND FILED ELECTRONICALLY IN CM/ECF NOT LESS THAN 72 HOURS PRIOR TO THE SCHEDULED TIME HEARING DATE AND OF THE ON THE **MOTION** (NOTWITHSTANDING RULE 9006(a) FRBP). IN CASES UNDER CHAPTERS 7, 12 AND 13, YOU MUST SERVE THE OPPOSING PAPERS ON: THE MOVANT AND MOVANT'S COUNSEL, THE DEBTOR AND DEBTOR'S COUNSEL (IF NOT THE MOVANT), AND THE TRUSTEE. IN CASES UNDER CHAPTER 11, THE OPPOSING PAPERS MUST ALSO BE SERVED ON THE CREDITORS' COMMITTEE AND ITS ATTORNEY, OR IF THERE IS NO COMMITTEE. THE 20 LARGEST UNSECURED CREDITORS, AND THE UNITED STATES TRUSTEE. IN THE EVENT THAT WRITTEN OPPOSITION IS NOT TIMELY SERVED AND FILED, NO HEARING WILL BE HELD ON THE MOTION; THE COURT WILL CONSIDER THE MOTION TO BE UNOPPOSED.

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EXHIBIT A

Claimant Name	No. of Objectionable Claim	Amount of Objectionable Claim	Classification (as filed) of Objectionable Claim	No. of Surviving Claim	Amount (as filed) of Surviving Claim	Classification (as filed) of Surviving Claim	Grounds for Objection	Disposition if Objection is Granted
BAUSCH HEALTH US LLC	53	\$1,051,350.72	GUC	64	\$1,134,537.83	GUC	Claim 64 amends and supersedes Claim 53.	Claim 53 is disallowed. Claim 64 is not affected by the Objection, but remains subject to other and further objection.
BRIGHTON-EGGERT PHARMACY INC	22402	\$205,000.00	GUC	22417	\$675,000.00	GUC	Claim 22417 amends and supersedes Claim 22402.	Claim 22402 is disallowed. Claim 22417 is not affected by the Objection, but remains subject to other and further objection.
EULER HERMES NORTH AMERICA INSURANCE CO (Agent for NEWEGG BUSINESS INC)	63	\$8,333.18	GUC	22712	\$8,333.18	\$6,360.26 GUC \$1,972.92 ADM	Claim 22712 amends and supersedes Claim 63.	Claim 63 is disallowed. Claim 22712 is not affected by the Objection, but remains subject to other and further objection.
EULER HERMES NORTH AMERICA INSURANCE CO (Agent for GOLDEN BROTHERS, INC.)	147	\$4,473.54	GUC	22713	\$4,473.54	\$1,532.65 GUC \$2,940.89 ADM	Claim 22713 amends and supersedes Claim 147.	Claim 147 is disallowed. Claim 22713 is not affected by the Objection, but remains subject to other and further objection.
GALDERMA LABORATORIES LP	44	\$22,757.47	GUC	376	\$22,757.47	GUC	Claim 376 amends and supersedes Claim 44.	Claim 44 is disallowed. Claim 376 is not affected by the Objection, but remains subject to other and further objection.
GALDERMA LABORATORIES LP	375	\$21,788.56	GUC	376	\$22,757.47	GUC	Claim 376 amends and supersedes Claim 375.	Claim 375 is disallowed. Claim 376 is not affected by the Objection, but remains subject to other and further objection.
GLAXOSMITHKLINE LLC	20000	\$3,956,535.04	GUC	21996	\$5,805,800.00	GUC	Claim 21996 amends and supersedes Claim 20000.	Claim 20000 is disallowed. Claim 21996 is not affected by the Objection, but remains subject to other and further objection.
HARRIS PHARMACEUTICAL INC	4	\$6,937.46	GUC	292	\$6,863.30	GUC	Claim 292 amends and supersedes Claim 4.	Claim 4 is disallowed. Claim 292 is not affected by the Objection, but remains subject to other and further objection.
L&R DISRIBUTORS	20029	\$3,491.85	GUC	21764		\$3168.56 GUC \$322.94 ADM	Claim 21764 amends and supersedes Claim 20029.	Claim 20029 is disallowed. Claim 21764 is not affected by the Objection, but remains subject to other and further objection.

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LR LOGISTICAL SOLUTIONS	20032	\$20,361.90	GUC	21766	\$12,928.02		and supersedes Claim 20032.	Claim 20032 is disallowed. Claim 21766 is not affected by the Objection, but remains subject to other and further objection.
PHARMACEUTICAL ASSOCIATES INC	7	\$47,735.51	GUC	370	\$45,943.39		supersedes Claim 7.	Claim 7 is disallowed. Claim 370 is not affected by the Objection, but remains subject to other and further objection.
PRINCE OF PEACE ENTERPRISES INC	23	\$29,484.40	GUC	126	\$29,484.40		·	Claim 23 is disallowed. Claim 126 is not affected by the Objection, but remains subject to other and further objection.

Hearing Date and Time: December 9, 2021 at 11:00 a.m. (prevailing Eastern Time)

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LIQUIDATING TRUSTEE'S SECOND OMNIBUS OBJECTION TO AMENDED CLAIMS FILED AGAINST **ROCHESTER DRUG CO-OPERATIVE, INC.**

THIS OBJECTION SEEKS TO DISALLOW AND EXPUNGE CERTAIN FILED PROOFS OF CLAIM.

CLAIMANTS RECEIVING THIS OBJECTION SHOULD LOCATE THEIR NAMES AND CLAIMS ON EXHIBIT A ATTACHED TO THIS OBJECTION.

Advisory Trust Group, LLC, the trustee (the "Liquidating Trustee") of the RDC

Liquidating Trust files this Second Omnibus Objection to Amended Claims Filed Against

Rochester Drug Co-Operative, Inc. (the "Objection"). Pursuant to the Objection, the Liquidating

Trustee objects to certain claims identified on Exhibit A attached hereto (collectively, the

¹ On February 26, 2021, the Bankruptcy Court entered an order confirming the Second Amended Chapter 11 Plan of Liquidation (the "Plan of Liquidation") of Rochester Drug Co-operative, Inc. ("RDC") which (along with that certain Liquidating Trust Agreement and Declaration of Trust) established the RDC Liquidating Trust and empowered it to collect and administer RDC's Assets and resolve Claims against RDC.

"Objectionable Claims") and seeks entry of an order (the "Proposed Order"), substantially in the form annexed hereto as **Exhibit B**, disallowing and expunging the Objectionable Claims pursuant to section 502(b) of title 11 of the United States Code, 11 U.S.C. §§ 101–1532 (the "Bankruptcy Code"), and Rule 3007 of the Federal Rules of Bankruptcy Procedure (the "Bankruptcy Rules"). In support of this Objection, the Liquidating Trustee submits the Declaration of David Greenblatt (the "Declaration"), attached hereto as **Exhibit C**. In further support of this Objection, the Liquidating Trustee respectfully states as follows:

Jurisdiction

- 1. The Court has jurisdiction over this matter pursuant to 28 U.S.C. §§ 157 and 1334. This matter is a core proceeding within the meaning of 28 U.S.C. § 157(b)(2) and the *Standing Order of Reference from the United States District Court for the Western District of New York*, dated February 29, 2012. The Liquidating Trustee confirms its consent, pursuant to Bankruptcy Rule 7008, to the entry of a final order by the Court in connection with this Objection to the extent that it is later determined that the Court, absent consent of the parties, cannot enter final orders or judgments in connection herewith consistent with Article III of the United States Constitution.
 - 2. Venue in this Court is proper pursuant to 28 U.S.C. §§ 1408 and 1409.
- 3. The bases for the relief requested herein are sections 105(a) and 502 of the Bankruptcy Code, Bankruptcy Rule 3007 and the Local Rules for the United States Bankruptcy Court for the Western District of New York (the "Local Bankruptcy Rules").

Background

- 4. On March 12, 2020, Rochester Drug Co-Operative, Inc. ("<u>RDC</u>" or the "<u>Debtor</u>") filed a petition under chapter 11 the Bankruptcy Code in the United States Bankruptcy Court for the Western District of New York (the "<u>Bankruptcy Court</u>").
- 5. On March 27, 2020, the Debtor filed its schedules of assets and liabilities (the "Schedules") [Docket No. 105] pursuant to Bankruptcy Rule 1007 and the Ex Parte Order Pursuant to Bankruptcy Rules 1007(c) and 9006(b)(1) Extending the Time to File Schedules of Assets and Liabilities, Schedules of Current Income and Expenditures, Schedules of Executory Contracts and Unexpired Leases and Statements of Financial Affairs [Docket No. 28].
- 6. On May 19, 2020, the Bankruptcy Court entered an order authorizing Epiq Corporate Restructuring, LLC ("<u>Epiq</u>") to serve as Claims and Noticing Agent [Docket No. 318].
- 7. On June 15, 2020, the Bankruptcy Court entered an order [Docket No. 401] (the "Bar Date Order") which, among other things, fixed July 31, 2020 as the date by which any person or entity holding (a) a Claim against the Debtor that arose or is deemed to have arisen prior to the Petition Date (the "General Bar Date"), or (b) an administrative expense claim against the Debtor that arose under section 503(b)(9) of the Bankruptcy Code (the "503(b)(9) Bar Date") must file a written proof of claim (a "Proof of Claim") asserting such claim against the Debtor. The Liquidating Trustee is informed and believes that the Debtor (or its agents) served the Bar Date Order, notice of the bar dates and a Proof of Claim form (collectively, the "Bar Date Notice Package"), upon all parties contemplated by the Bar Date Order. See Certificate of Service [Docket No. 431].

- 8. On December 18, 2020, the Debtor amended certain of its Schedules (the Amended Schedules") and gave claimants whose Claims were affected by the amendment until January 31, 2021 to file Claims [Docket Nos. 1014, 1016].
- 9. On February 26, 2021, the Bankruptcy Court entered an order (the "Confirmation Order") confirming RDC's Second Amended Chapter 11 Plan of Liquidation (the "Plan of Liquidation"). Pursuant to the Confirmation Order, the Plan of Liquidation and that certain Liquidating Trust Agreement and Declaration of Trust (the "Trust Agreement") (collectively, the "Plan Documents"), RDC's Assets were transferred to the RDC Liquidating Trust which was empowered, among other things, to: (i) collect and administer the Debtor's Assets (including Causes of Action) and (ii) resolve Claims against the Debtor and its estate.²
- 10. The Effective Date of the Plan of Liquidation occurred on March 19,2021.
- 11. As of the Effective Date, Advisory Trust Group, LLC was appointed to act as trustee of the RDC Liquidating Trust.
- 12. Pursuant to the Plan of Liquidation: (i) the Bankruptcy Court retained jurisdiction, "[t]o hear and determine objections to the allowance of Claims, whether filed, asserted or made before or after the Effective Date, including, without limitation, to hear and determine objections to the classification of Claims and the allowance or disallowance of disputed Claims, in whole or in part;" and (ii) the Liquidating Trustee "may object to Claims at any time prior to the dissolution of the [RDC] Liquidating Trust." Plan of Liquidation, § 10.13(d); § 8.14.

² The bankruptcy case docket numbers for the applicable documents are as follows: Confirmation Order (Dkt. No. 1257); Plan of Liquidation (Dkt. No. 1145); Notice of Effective Date (Dkt No. 1305). If not defined herein, capitalized terms have the definitions given to them in the Plan Documents.

13. On July 16, 2021, the Court granted the Liquidating Trustee's *Motion for Entry of an Order (I) Discharging Epiq Corporate Restructuring, LLC and (II) Retaining Bankruptcy Management Solutions, Inc. d/b/a Stretto as the Post-Confirmation Claims Agent* [Docket No. 1384]. Pursuant to that order, Epiq was discharged and Bankruptcy Management Solutions, Inc. ("Stretto"), now maintains the official claims register.

Relief Requested

- Order pursuant to section 502(b) of the Bankruptcy Code and Bankruptcy Rule 3007(d)(1)³ disallowing and expunging each Objectionable Claim identified on **Exhibit A** because each such claim has been amended and superseded by another proof of claim filed by or on behalf of the same claimant. The latter claims are identified as the "Surviving Claims" on **Exhibit A**. The Liquidating Trustee does not object to the Surviving Claims pursuant to this Objection, but reserves its right to object to the Surviving Claims at a later date.
- 15. A filed proof of claim is deemed allowed unless a party-in-interest objects. 11 U.S.C. § 502(a). Correctly filed proof of claims constitute *prima facie* evidence of the validity and amount of the claim. *In re Residential Capital, LLC*, 524 B.R. 465, 477 (Bankr. S.D.N.Y. 2015); Fed. R. Bank. P. 3001(f).
- 16. If an objection refuting at least one of the claim's essential allegations is asserted, the claimant has the burden to demonstrate the validity of the claim. *In re Ditech*Holding Corp., 2021 Bankr. LEXIS 1299, *10 (Bankr. S.D.N.Y. May 13, 2021). If there is an

³ Bankruptcy Rule 3007(d)(1) permits a party in interest to file omnibus objections to more than one claim where "the objections are based solely on the grounds that the claims should be disallowed, in whole or in part, because: (1) they have been amended by subsequently filed proofs of claim." Fed.R.Bankr.P. 3007(d)(3). Notwithstanding Fed. R.Bankr. Pro. 3007(d), this Court's Administrative Order dated December 21, 2020 provides, "Only one claim objection will be allowed per notice or order unless the objecting party is granted permission by chambers to use another format." Counsel to the Liquidating Trustee sought and obtained permission from chambers to file this Omnibus Objection.

objection to a claim, the bankruptcy court, after notice and a hearing, shall determine the amount of such claim as of the date of the filing of the petition, and shall allow such claim in such amount, subject to certain exceptions identified in the statute. 11 U.S.C. § 502(b). One such exception is that the court shall not allow a claim if "such claim is unenforceable against the debtor and property of the debtor, under any agreement or applicable law for a reason other than because such claim is contingent or unmatured." 11 U.S.C. § 502(b)(1).

17. Here, there is ample evidence to rebut the *prima facie* validity of each of the Objectionable Claims. As set forth in more detail on **Exhibit A**, each Objectionable Claim has been amended by a subsequently filed proof of claim filed on or behalf of the same claimant (i.e., the Surviving Claim). While in some instances the Claimant did not check the "amended" box on the subsequently filed claim, a review of the substantive documentation submitted in support of both claims leads the Liquidating Trustee to conclude that the Surviving Claim amended the Objectionable Claim. To allow both the Objectionable Claim and the Surviving Claim would result in a double recovery to the claimant to the detriment of other claimants. Accordingly, the Liquidating Trustee moves to disallow each Objectionable Claim in its entirety.

Reservation of Rights

18. This Objection is limited to the grounds stated herein. Accordingly, it is without prejudice to the rights of the Liquidating Trustee or any other party in interest to object to any of the Objectionable Claims (to the extent not disallowed and expunged pursuant to this Objection) on any grounds whatsoever, and the Liquidating Trustee expressly reserves all further substantive or procedural objections it may have. In addition, as is noted on **Exhibit A**, by this Objection, the Liquidating Trustee seeks to disallow only the Objectionable Claims and does not

seek to affect the corresponding Surviving Claims but reserves its right to bring other and further objections to the Surviving Claims on any and all grounds.

Notice

19. Pursuant to this Court's Administrative Order dated December 21, 2020,

the Objection will be served and electronically filed at least 30 days prior to the return date and

time, and service on the claimants holding the Objectionable Claims will comply with Fed. R.

Bankr. P. 7004.

20. In addition, the Liquidating Trustee will provide notice of this Objection

to: (a) the Office of the United States Trustee, 100 State Street, Room 6090, Rochester, New

York, Attn: Kathleen Dunivin Schmitt; (b) counsel to RDC; (c) the twenty largest unsecured

creditors; (d) Bankruptcy Management Solutions, Inc., and (e) all parties that have filed a request

to receive service of court filings pursuant to Bankruptcy Rule 2002.

WHEREFORE, for the reasons stated in the Objection, the Liquidating Trustee

respectfully requests that the Court sustain the Objection, disallow each of the Objectionable

Claims listed on **Exhibit A** and grant such other relief as the Court deems just and proper.

Dated: November 1, 2021

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